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With regard to the application identified above, Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the period for response to the Office Action mailed on March 27, 2000, for three months from June 27, 2000 to September 27, 2000. Please charge Deposit Account No. 01-0025 in the amount of \$870.00 for the associated extension fee. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited, respectively, to the above numbered deposit account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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